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TOPIC Cottbus Airfield

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1. On 3 October 1951, 30 to 40 twin-engine aircraft were still parked in front of the hangars at Cottbus airfield. Many soldiers were observed around the planes. There was no flying although the weather was good. on a plate above the driver's cabin, were seen on the road to the field. No guards were observed at the field. Eight civilians were seen near three small construction sheds in the western section of the field, but no construction was under way.
2. In mid-September, a very large fuel container, loaded on a special truck, was transported through Cottbus to the field. The container had an estimated capacity of 100,000 liters. The streets were blocked because the container took the entire width of the streets. The container was set up north of the field, north of Cottbus-Burg road, west of the barracks installations.
3. Between 30 September and 4 October, about 30 twin-engine low-wing monoplanes were parked in front of the hangars at the field. At 12:30 p.m. on 2 October, a twin-engine low-wing monoplane towing a sleeve target flew over the town and headed southeast at an altitude of about 800 meters. Two other planes of the same type approached the sleeve target but did not fire. *

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